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Military Naturalization Oath Ceremonies in the San Diego Area

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# MILITARY NATURALIZATION OATH CEREMONIES IN THE SAN DIEGO AREA

Naturalization is the process by which a person born in a foreign country becomes a U.S. citizen. Regional Legal Service Office Southwest (RLSO SW) oversees the military naturalization program in the Navy Region Southwest (NRSW) and provides naturalization assistance to service members by assisting with the application process.

After a naturalization applicant submits a naturalization application to U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS), the applicant must attend a naturalization interview and oath ceremony to become a U.S. citizen.

Military naturalization oath ceremonies are scheduled, onboard USS MIDWAY Museum, on 3 July and 13 November of this year. A service member whose naturalization application is currently pending with USCIS, and desires a naturalization oath ceremony in the San Diego area, may request inclusion in the military naturalization ceremony on 3 July 2013. If a service member submits a naturalization application to USCIS before 1 June 2013, the service member may be scheduled to attend the naturalization ceremony on 13 November 2013.

For further information on attending a military naturalization oath ceremony or applying for naturalization, please call (619) 556-6322.

## FAMILY IMMIGRATION ASSISTANCE

Region Legal Service Office Southwest (RLSO SW), Command Services Department, Immigration and Naturalization Division, provides family immigration assistance at Naval Base San Diego, Building 56. Family immigration assistance is provided on routine family immigration matters, and, when necessary referrals are provided to U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services or the American Immigration Lawyers Association (AILA). Family immigration assistance is provided on Thursdays from 0800-1200, by appointment only. Appointments may be scheduled by calling (619) 556-2211, during normal business hours.

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## COMMAND REPRESENTATIVES TRAINING VIA DCO

Command Representatives Training Via DCO Per NAVADMIN 113/08, commanding officers must appoint a CCR to assist non-citizen service members with applying for naturalization. CCR's must be trained. The next training class for Command Citizenship Representatives will be Wednesday July 10 at 0900 and Thursday, 16 October at 0900.

To schedule training, for further information on becoming a Command Citizenship representative, or applying for U.S. citizenship, please call the RLSO SW Naturalization Team at (619) 556-6322.

### PERSONAL FIREARMS

Congress recently passed the NDAA for 2013, which included a section on firearms. Specifically, section 1057 states in part that a health care professional who is a member of the Armed Forces, or, a commanding officer, who has reasonable grounds to believe that a service member or DoD employee "is a risk for suicide or causing harm to others" may inquire with such members as to whether they plan to acquire and/or already possess a privately owned firearm, ammunition, or other weapon. This authority existed prior to passage of the 2013 NDAA. However, Congress memorialized this authority explicitly into law.

#### Personal Firearms

#### LEGAL ASSISTANCE DEPARTMENT SERVICES

The Legal Assistance Department onboard Naval Base San Diego and Naval Air Station North Island now uses an appointment based system. This will provide for greater planning and flexibility for customers, as well as reduced wait times to meet with our attorneys.

#### APPOINTMENT HOTLINE 619-556-2211

Naval Base San Diego and Naval Base Coronado Attorney Services

#### **ATTORNEY SERVICES (APPOINTMENT ONLY)**

Emergency Walk-Ins will be seen on a case by case basis only.

Please call our Appointment Hotline (619)556-2211 for more information.

#### POWERS OF ATTORNEY/NOTARY SERVICES (WALK-IN ONLY)

Monday - Thursday 0800-1130 and 1300-1500

Friday 0900-1100

Naval Base Coronado (NAB): Wednesday 1300-1500

#### **DIVORCE SEMINAR**

Naval Base San Diego (32nd Street) and Naval Base Coronado (North Island)

General Information: Tuesday 1330 Court Paperwork Review: Thursday 1330

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Legal Assistance Department Services WILL EXECUTION (For clients with pending estate planning documents)

Monday - Thursday 1100 and 1500, Friday 1100

Please arrive 30 minutes prior to review your documents

**NOTE:** For notaries, powers of attorney, affidavits, or to execute your will, you must bring your Military ID and a State/ Government issued photo ID with a signature (i.e., passport, drivers license, state I.D.)

#### **PARKING:**

Naval Base San Diego (32<sup>nd</sup> St): across from Bldg. 56, with designated spaces for clients. Naval Base Coronado (North Island): across from Bldg. 318. Please call ahead for wheelchair accessibility.

### NON-FEDERAL ENTITIES ONBOARD NAVY INSTALLATIONS

As per CNIC INSTRUCTION 11000.1, a Non-federal entity (NFEs) is a self-sustaining organization that is not an official component of the Federal government. An NFE may be incorporated or unincorporated. Examples of NFEs include officer wardroom, CPO mess, Petty Officer associations, spouse clubs, the United Service Organization, fraternal organizations, colleges, school districts, and businesses.

NFEs may conduct activities on Navy installations only with written approval of the Installation Commanding Officer (CO) and only when their activities are consistent with good order and discipline and enhance the quality of life on the base.

NFEs shall be financially self-sustaining. Neither Department of Defense (DoD) components nor non-appropriated fund (NAF) instrumentalities may provide financial assistance to NFEs.

Any logistical support provided by a Navy installation to an NFE may not hinder any Navy or DoD command's military mission or detract from readiness.

Installation COs are authorized to deny or revoke an NFE's permission to operate on the base when the organization fails to comply with this instruction.

No NFE may receive preferential treatment. Certain NFEs, however, have authorization for unique support. These include groups such as the USO, the American National Red Cross, certain banks and credit unions, labor organizations, and certain youth organizations. CNIC INSTRUCTION 11000.1 provides a list of these organizations, as well as the statutory basis for their support.

For further information for any fundraising on Naval Base San Diego, please contact Ms. Jennifer Brown, Command Service Department at (619) 556-5977.

Non-Federal Entities Onboard Naval Installations

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## **COMMAND SERVICES HELP DESK**

In order to provide more timely service to all commands we have established a Command Services Helpdesk that is manned from 0730-1630, Monday-Friday. The Command Services Helpdesk may be reached at (619)556-5977, or by email at <a href="mailto:cmdservices.rlsosw.fct@navy.mil">cmdservices.rlsosw.fct@navy.mil</a>. When contacting the Command Services Helpdesk by phone, one of our staff members will ask you for your name, command, a phone number or email address where you can be reached, and a brief description of the issue you are calling about.

Command Services Helpdesk

If emailing the helpdesk, please include this same information in your email. Our staff will collect your information on an intake form that will be assigned immediately to a Command Services Department JAG or Legalman that will respond to your request. If you have an emergency requiring Command Services outside of normal business hours, contact the RLSO SW Command Duty Officer, (619)851-5129.

Please provide us with feedback on whether our Command Services Helpdesk is providing you with efficient service, because that is our primary mission.

## RESULTS OF TRIAL 2ND QUARTER 2013

Navy E-5 with 8 years and 8 months of service, sentenced to a Bad Conduct Discharge, confinement for 9 months, and reduction in rank to E-1 for unauthorized absence, wrongful use of a schedule II substance and larceny of a value over \$500.00. This court was held on January 8, 2013.

Navy E-6 with 19 years and 1 month of service, sentenced to confinement for 75 days, forfeitures of \$1,007 for 1 month, and reduction in rank to E-3 for larceny, false official statement and conspiracy. This court was held on January 9, 2013.

Navy E-8 with 25 years and 1 months of service, sentenced to 89 days confinement and reduction in rank to E-6 for creating an intimidating hostile, or offensive working environment by making unwanted sexual advances, violating a lawful general order, false official statement and obstructing justice. This court was held on January 11, 2013.

Navy E-6 with 22 years of service, sentenced to a Dishonorable Discharge and 18 months confinement for possession of child pornography. This court was held on January 18, 2013.

Results of Trial 2nd Quarter 2013

Navy E-3 with 4 years and 6 months of service, sentenced to a Dishonorable Discharge, confinement for 140 months, and reduction of rank to E-1 for sexual assault on a minor, larceny and sodomy on a minor. This court was held on March 7, 2013.

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Navy E-1 with 1 year and 8 months of service, sentenced to 330 days of confinement and forfeitures of \$1000.00 per month for 12 months for failing to go to appointed place of duty, unauthorized absence, wrongful use of a schedule I substance, and wrongful introduction of a schedule I substance onto an armed forces installation. This court was held on March 11, 2013.

Navy E-5 with 9 years and 3 months of service, sentenced to forfeitures of \$600.00 per month for 1 month for dereliction of duty. This court was held on March 13, 2013.

Officer Board of Inquiry Results 2nd Quarter 2013

## OFFICER BOARD OF INQUIRY RESULTS 2ND QUARTER 2013

Navy 0-4 was ordered to show cause for retention due to substandard performance of duty: failure to maintain adequate levels of performance as evidenced by the failure to conform to prescribed standards of dress, weight, personal appearance or military deportment. Board members recommended separation with a Honorable discharge characterization. This Board of Inquiry was held on 14 February 2013.

Navy 0-5 was ordered to show cause for retention due to substandard performance of duty: failure to show, over an extended period of time, a loss in confidence and the ability to command. Board members recommended retention. This Board of Inquiry was held on 19 February 2013.

Enlisted Administrative Board Results 2nd Quarter 2013

## **ENLISTED ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD RESULTS 2ND QUARTER 2013**

Navy E-6 was processed for Separation by Reason of Unsatisfactory Performance - Loss of Security Clearance. The board found no misconduct. This board was held on 19 March 2013.

# VICTIM AND WITNESS ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

The Victim and Witness Assistance Program is designed to ensure victims and witnesses of crime are afforded their rights throughout the criminal justice process – from initial contact by investigators through any period of confinement adjudged. The Department of Defense requires their services to establish comprehensive Victim and Witness Assistance Programs in order to enhance and protect the rights of victims of crimes committed within the military setting. OPNAVINST 5800.7A requires every command to appoint a Victim Witness Assistance Coordinator (VWAC) in writing and ensure command personnel are educated on the rights of crime victims and witnesses. Please note that the VWAP program is a separate program from SAPR and FAP, with distinct requirements. RLSO SW provides quarterly training for new VWACs.

## **Upcoming trainings:**

Monday, 29 July 2013

Monday, 28 October 2013 (1000-1100)

Monday, 27 January 2014

**Time:** 1300

**Location:** Fleet and Family Support Center, NBSD, Bldg 259, Classroom 1 **RSVP and/or Questions:** Nya Ayala, (619) 556-0237, nya.ayala@navy.mil

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## WATERFRONT OUTREACH TRAINING

Come join us at our Monthly Legal Officer Brown Bag Lunch/Discussion! Hosted by COMNAVSURFPAC Legal and RLSO SW Command Services

#### When & Where:

*Thursday, 30 May 2013*- Naval Base San Diego (wet side), Waterfront Recreation Center (near Pier 2, across the street from the Base Theater), Blue and Gold Room.

*Thursday, 27 June 2013*- NASNI, COs Conference Room *Thursday, 25 July 2013*- Naval Base San Diego (wet side), Waterfront Recreation Center (near Pier 2, across the street from the Base Theater), Blue and Gold Room.

**Time:** 1200-1300

**What**: The HOTTEST legal topics of the day!

Plus JAGs will be available to answer any and all legal questions. Tell us what issues you are facing so we can train on your specific topic. RSVP is appreciated but not required. Thank you for your support.

RSVP to LCDR Trevor Grant at trevor.grant@navy.mil.

# Mailing Address:

Waterfront

**Outreach Training** 

3395 Sturtevant St., Suite 9, San Diego, CA 92136

Commercial
Phone Numbers:

(619) 556-0049 DSN: 526-0049 Fax: (619) 556-1674

Hours: 0730 - 1630 Monday - Friday

# SOUTHWEST REGION STAFF JUDGE ADVOCATE DIRECTORY

**Command Services DH:** (619) 556-2789 **Command Services LCPO:** (619) 556-0839

**Trial Department:** (619) 556-9293

**NB San Diego SJA**: (619) 556-5533 – DSN 526 **NB Coronado SJA**: (619) 545-8143 – DSN 735 **NB Point Loma SJA**: (619) 553-7190 – DSN 553

**CNRSW SJA:** (619) 532-1418 – DSN 522

**NAS Lemoore SJA:** (559) 998-3889/3352 – DSN 949 **NB Ventura SJA:** (805) 989-7309/1706 – DSN 351

**NAS Fallon SJA:** (775) 426-2854 – DSN 890

**NAWS China Lake SJA:** (760) 939-6065 – DSN 437 **NSA Monterey SJA:** (831) 656-2506 – DSN 756

#### **TOPICS FOR FUTURE ISSUES**

If you have a topic you'd like to see discussed in the next newsletter, please forward your request to Nya Ayala at nya.ayala@navy.mil.